

What is claimed is:

1. A storage system comprising:

a disk controller for accepting access from a computer through a block I/O interface;

a file server for accepting access from a computer through a file I/O interface;

a plurality of disk drive units, each of said plurality of disk drive units holding identification information identifying at least one of said disk controller and file server to which the disk drive unit is allocated; and

a connection unit connected between the disk controller and said file server, and said plurality of disk drive units for connecting said disk controller and said file server to said plurality of disk drive units; and wherein

each of said disk controller and said file server determines which of said plurality of disk drive units is accessible.

2. A storage system according to claim 1, wherein each of said plurality of disk drive units stores said identification information in a part of storage area to which data is stored.

3. A storage system according to claim 1, wherein each of said disk controller and said file server has a memory for storing information to access a disk drive unit of said

plurality of disk drive units allocated thereto.

4. A storage system according to claim 3, wherein said information stored in said memory includes address information of the disk drive unit allocated.

5. A storage system according to claim 1, wherein each of said disk controller and said file server performs the determination during system initialization.

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